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**AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116**

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 22, 2010, in the above matter, a Notice of Appeal having been filed October 22, 2010, and the required petition and fee being submitted herewith. The following comments are offered.